Hate crimes flurish in Pennsylvania

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Students, faculty and staff received a crash course in hate groups on Thursday, Nov. 12, in the Black Cultural Arts

The program was presented by Ann Van Dyke of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission.

Early in the program, Van Dyke demonstrated the prevalence of hate groups in America with a map showing the presence of various hate groups in America.

The state of Pennsylvania was filled with crosses, triangles--and the like-representing the groups.

The bulk of the presentation was dedicated to looking at various hate groups operating in the state of Pennsylvania. Before she moved onto this part of the presentation, she asked the audience to be objective when looking at the groups.

Look at these groups like a bug on a slide," she said.

One group she examined was the Ku

"They wrote the book on hate," Van Dyke said.

She pointed out they are the model for most of the other hate groups. She also stated the Klan is moving away from its violent past and creating a softer image for itself.

Another group Van Dyke focused on was the Skinheads. "This group is significant because the members are the afraid," she said.

"Psychologists agree that fear is the root of hate, jealousy and anger," Van

It's similar to a scapegoat mentality. "Usually when the economy goes down, hate crimes go up," she said.

Speaking from her own personal experience, Angela Gumby, a senior humanities business major said, "I had people get up in class and say the reason why Penn State Harrisburg is having financial problems is because they're giving too many scholarships to minority students."

becoming more open about discrimination. the Psychology Club.

After presenting the information on the ones whose words show that they are various groups in Pennsylvania, Van Dyke suggested ways to deal with the groups.

One of the most important actions we can take is to remain unified, she said.

'Groups like the Klan don't stand a chance if we stand together," she said.

For PSH, she suggested adopting a multicultural curriculum which promotes unity. She also suggested fellowship activities which get people together who wouldn't normally be together.

While referring to the nearly-full capacity audience in the BCAC, Don Holzman, director of student affairs, said, "I was pleased and encouraged by the turnout.'

The program was sponsored by the Van Dyke said that people are Black Student Union, Delta Tau Kappa and

Harshbarger critques juvenile justice system

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At 9 p.m., the CUB parking lot was empty, except for two men.

One was deep in thought and listening. The other was Scott Harshbarger.

After 13 hours of discussions and lecturing at Penn State Harrisburg, he was answering yet another question.

Students and faculty alike find him to be responsive and interesting to talk with. His style is dynamic. Public Affairs Division Head Robert Bresler finds him to be "articulate" and "well informed.

His topic is the Juvenile Justice System. Harshbarger has been working on legislation that will impact crime. He has held several postions that make him particularly effective, including General Counsel to Massachusetts State Ethics Commission and District Attorney for Middlesex County. In January of 1991, he became the Attorney General for Massachusetts.

"Crime is symbolic of a social breakdown," said Harshbarger in his lecture to students and faculty. He added that crime is a question of values, and political values determine which programs are funded.

"The biggest problem we face is the lack of resources for dealing with lessserious offenders." The current system focuses on defining illegal acts and punishing people who do not respect the

Unfortunately, solutions cannot be that simplistic. Harshbarger then discussed areas that can be improved. He mentioned quick punishment, early intervention, drug and alcohol education, family violence and changing perceptions about white-collar crime.

There is good news. Children's behavior towards drugs and alcohol is improving. The key to this change is education. According to Harshbarger, it is an important step because 85 to 95 percent of all offenders are involved with drugs and

Also, it is cheaper to educate youth than it is to incarcerate them. On the average, youth offenders cost twice as much to imprison as adults.

Roberta Mellen, a behavioral sciences major, attended Harshbarger's 7 p.m. lecture. She said he is "an advocate for preventive measures rather than later punishment.'

A combination of education, treatment and support from the community can help hard-core offenders change.

In recognition for his work, the American Bar Association gave Harshbarger the Livingston Hall Juvenile Justice Award. He was the first prosecutor to receive that award.

In a time when reporting systems have become more accurate and the media is able to bring "it home to us," Harshbarger claims that there has not been a decrease in crime, but the public is becoming more aware of it. It is nice to know that someone is taking effective action against crime.

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Lemon chicken that even Mom can enjoy

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Well here we are at the end of the semester. Isn't that nice? I feel inclined to put at least one recipe in this column that may impress mom. So here it is, Lemon Chicken.

- 3 lbs. chicken
- 1 cup salad oil 1/2 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1 tblsp. salt 1 tsp. paprika
- 2 tsp. crushed basil
- 2 tsp. onion powder
- 1/2 tsp. crushed thyme 1/2 tsp. garlic powder

Combine all ingredients in either a plastic bag that can be sealed or in a pan. Marinate chicken for at least six hours, over-night is best.

When you are ready to cook, put the chicken in a pan. Put some of the marinate sauce on the chicken. Cook for 30-45 minutes at 350 degrees. Baste with marinate sauce occasionally. To tell if the chicken is done, cut one piece of chicken. If the juice is clear, then the chicken is

So, that's all folks. Have a wonderful life and remember, someday you might have to cook, so save a couple of recipes.

Pie Crust Full Proof

With Thanksgiving just a few days away, now is a great time to perfect your pumpkin pie with a flaky, buttery crust.

- 4 cups all purpose flour
- 1 3/4 cups cooking oil 1/2 cup very cold water
- 1 tablespoon vinegar 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 tablespoon sugar

Gently, mix your ingredients in order. Remember the secret to successful pastry is very cold water.

Don't over mix the dough--too much kneading makes it tough.

And don't be alarmed by the consistency of the dough. In comparison to other pie dough, it will seem very wet.

Bake at 450 for 15 minutes and reduce to 375 for 35-45 minutes.